

1336. By Snelson: Amending Statutes relating to the boundaries of the Real-Edwards Conservation and Reclamation District; etc., 1898.

Referred, 1898. Senate rule suspended, 1899. Reported, 1907. Ordered not printed, 1908. Rules suspended, read second time, passed to engrossment, 1947. Read third time and passed, 1948.

### HISTORY OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

1. By Creighton: Amending Constitution to provide for methods of assessment for ranch, farm, forest, and other open-space lands that will promote the preservation of their existing uses, 57.

(House Sponsor: Sullivant)

Referred, 57. Reported, C.S.S.J.R. 1 read first time, 214. Motion to suspend regular order, reason for vote, 236. Motion to suspend regular order, 248. Rules suspended, read second time, amended, 540. Passed to engrossment, votes recorded, 541. Read third time and passed, 542. Defeat by House reported, 1972.

2. By Lombardino, Schwartz, Longoria, Kothmann, Traeger, Mengden, Truan, Santiesteban, Parker: Amending Constitution to authorize the establishment of certain bingo games and raffles for the benefit of nonprofit charitable organizations, 57.

(House Sponsor: Bock) (Companion Document: **H.J.R. 54**)

Referred, 57. Reported, 139. Senator Parker, Co-author, 157. Rules suspended, read second time, amended, 178. Resumed consideration, 179. Amended, 179. Resumed consideration, 180. Amended, 180. Passed to engrossment, 181. Laid before Senate, read third time, and passed, 191. Motion in Writing relative to, read and adopted, 207. Failure to adopt by House reported, 2181.

3. By Ogg, Hance: Amending Constitution relating to denial of bail to a person accused of a felony in certain circumstances, 57.

(House Sponsor: Hubenak)

Referred, 57. Reported, C.S.S.J.R. 3 read first time, 573. Rules suspended, read second time, passed to engrossment, 601. Read third time and passed, 601. Passage by House with amendment reported, 1255. House amendment laid before Senate, 1299. Read and concurred in, 1300. Signed, 1331. Sent to Governor, 1356. Filed with Secretary of State, 2015.

4. By Doggett: Amending Constitution relating to the incurring of state debt, 57. Referred, 57.

5. By Doggett: Amending Constitution relating to tax relief to preserve certain historical resources, 57.

(House Sponsor: Weddington)

Referred, 57. Reported, 312. Rules suspended, 332. Read second time, passed to engrossment, read third time and passed, 333. Passage by House with amendment reported, 1742. House amendment laid before Senate, read, concurred in, 1774. Signed, 1819. Sent to Governor, 1901. Filed with Secretary of State, 2015.

6. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to limit the length of time that a person may hold the office of State Senator or State Representative, 57.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 56**)  
Referred, 57.
7. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to limit the number of times that a person may be elected to the office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, 57.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 57**)  
Referred, 57.
8. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to guarantee the right of a person to work for an employer without regard to whether he is a member of or makes a payment to a labor organization, 57.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 49**)  
Referred, 57. Reported, 168.
9. By Farabee: Amending Constitution to provide for the appointment of appellate judges by the governor, 57.  
Referred, 57.
10. By Mengden, Hance: Amending Constitution to restrict the power of the legislature to increase state taxes in excess of eight percent of the total personal income of the state, 57.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 91**)  
Referred, 57. Senator Hance, Co-author, 1190.
11. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to prohibit the legislature from taxing personal or corporate incomes without approval by a popular vote, 58.  
Referred, 58.
12. By Williams: Amending Constitution to provide for exemption of nonresidential buildings of veterans' organizations from taxation, 58.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 78**)  
Referred, 58.
13. By Williams: Amending Constitution to provide for an additional \$200 million in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the Veterans' Land Fund, 58.  
(House Sponsor: Edwards)  
Referred, 58. Reported, 312. Rules suspended, read second time, amended, 331. Passed to engrossment, read third time and passed, 332. Passage by House reported, 1255. Signed, 1298. Sent to Governor, 1329. Filed with Secretary of State. 2015.
14. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to limit the existence of certain state agencies, 65.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 64**)  
Referred, 65.
15. By McKnight, Moore, Schwartz: Amending Constitution to limit the duration of the holdover authority of gubernatorial appointees to public offices, 88.  
Referred, 88. Reported, **C.S.S.J.R. 15** read first time, 286. Rules suspended, read second time, passed to engrossment, vote recorded, read third time and passed, 301.

16. By Meier: Amending Constitution relating to denial of bail to a person accused of a felony in certain circumstances, 88.

Referred, 88.

17. By Meier: Amending Constitution to authorize the Legislature to provide for retirement and compensation paid by the state for judges of certain statutory courts, 88.

Referred, 88.

18. By Meier: Amending Constitution to provide for a Supreme Court of Criminal Appeals with nine justices and to permit the court to sit in panels of three justices, 88.

(House Sponsor: Hendricks)

Referred, 88. Reported, C.S.S.J.R. 18 read first time, 350. Rules suspended, read second time, amended, 400. Votes recorded, passed to engrossment, votes recorded, read third time and passed, 401. Passage by House with amendment reported, 1255. House amendment laid before Senate, 1345. Read, concurred in, 1348. Signed, 1361. Sent to Governor, 1519. Filed with Secretary of State, 2015.

19. By Patman, Hance, Farabee, Creighton: Amending Constitution relating to the formation of associations by producers of agricultural products, 88.

(House Sponsor: Simpson) (Companion Document: **H.J.R. 47**)

Referred, 88. Reported, 139. Senators Farabee and Creighton, Co-authors, 157. Rules Suspended, 164. Read second time, passed to engrossment, votes recorded, 164. Read third time, and passed, 165. Passage by House with amendments reported, 1884. House amendments laid before Senate, read, and concurred in, 1991. Resolution adopted instructing Senate Enrolling Clerk to make certain corrections in (S.C.R. 109), 1992. Signed, 2124. Filed with Secretary of State, 2391.

20. By Jones of Harris: Amending Constitution to eliminate the state ad valorem tax, 88.

Referred, 88.

21. By Sherman: Amending Constitution to increase the term of office and the territorial jurisdiction of notaries public, 95.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 9**)

Referred, 95.

22. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to provide that the state shall have a right of appeal in criminal cases as provided by law, 95.

Referred, 95.

23. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to permit the detention without bail, under certain conditions, of a person accused of a felony involving violence against another if he has previously been convicted of a felony involving violence against another, 95.

Referred, 95.

24. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to provide for the selection of the elective judges and justices of the courts of this state, with certain exceptions, at nonpartisan elections held in the odd-numbered years, 96.

Referred, 96.

25. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to provide that appointive members of governmental bodies who are appointed by the governor shall serve at the pleasure of the governor, 108.  
Referred, 108.
26. By Truan: Amending Constitution to provide a free and unrestricted access to the public beaches, 109.  
Referred, 109. Reported, 973.
27. By Clower: Amending Constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for the granting of tax credits against property taxes to promote the efficient use of energy in commercial and residential structures, 121.  
Referred, 121.
28. By Jones of Taylor: Amending Constitution to provide for transition under the revised Article VIII; and changing other provisions of the Constitution to conform to the revised Article VIII, 121.  
Referred, 121.
29. By Patman: Amending Constitution relating to the budget execution authority of the governor, 121.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 43**)  
Referred, 121.
30. By Ogg: Amending Constitution to change the name of the State Judicial Qualifications Commission to the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, and relating to the commission and the powers and proceedings of the commission, 129.  
(House Sponsor: Chavez) (Companion Document: **H.J.R. 49**)  
Referred, 129. Reported, 350. Rules suspended, read second time, amended, passed to engrossment, 389. Read third time, and passed, 390. Passage by House with amendments reported, 1885. House amendments laid before Senate, 1933. Read, and concurred in, 1934. Signed, 1970. Filed with Secretary of State, 2015.
31. By Sherman: Amending Constitution to set the period during which the terms of appointed state officers expire, 129.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 10**)  
Referred, 129.
32. By Sherman: Amending Constitution to permit the legislature to give budget execution authority to the governor, 129.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 11**)  
Referred, 129.
33. By Sherman: Amending Constitution to give the governor limited power to remove appointed officers, 129.  
(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 12**)  
Referred, 129.
34. By Parker: Amending Constitution relating to the State Judicial Qualifications Commission and the powers and proceedings of the commission, 129.  
Referred, 129.
35. By Mengden, Clower: Amending Constitution to reserve in the people the powers of initiative and referendum, 142.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 53**)

Referred, 142.

36. By Parker: Amending Constitution to provide for exemption of certain personal property from taxation, 172.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 61**)

Referred, 172.

37. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to prohibit members and former members of certain state boards and commissions from having certain pecuniary interests, 172.

Referred, 172.

38. By Mauzy: Amending Constitution to authorize additional colleges and universities of The University of Texas System and The Texas A&M University System to participate in certain benefits of the permanent university fund, 189.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 88**)

Referred, 189.

39. By Parker: Amending Constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for a state medical malpractice insurance program and to appropriate state funds to maintain the program, 189.

Referred, 189. Reported, 409.

40. By Moore: Amending Constitution to require the state to finance current maintenance and operating expenses of public elementary and secondary schools, 216.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 70**)

Referred, 216. Reported, 312. Motion to suspend regular order, 381.

41. By Hance: Amending Constitution to provide for periodic special sessions at which the legislature shall consider the continuation or abolition of certain state agencies, 228.

Referred, 228.

42. By Harris: Amending Constitution to expand the jurisdiction of justices of the peace to include civil cases where the amount in controversy is \$500 or less, 259.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 46**)

Referred, 259.

43. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to prohibit state agencies from accepting gifts or grants from private sources, 275.

Referred, 275.

44. By Farabee, Jones of Harris: Amending Constitution to grant the Legislature the power to authorize cities and towns to issue bonds to finance the redevelopment of certain blighted downtown areas, 316.

(House Sponsor: Bush) (Companion Document: **H.J.R. 86**)

Referred, 316. Reported, 638. Rules suspended, read second time, amended, 739. Amended, passed to engrossment, 739. Read third time and passed, 740. Passage by House with amendments reported, 1739. House amendments laid before Senate, read and concurred in, 1879. Signed, 1902. Filed with Secretary of State, 2015.

45. By Schwartz: Amending Constitution to permit more associate justices on a court of civil appeals, to permit a court of civil appeals to sit in sections, and requiring a concurrence of a majority of justices for a decision, 352.

(House Sponsor: Nabers)

Referred, 352. Reported, 638. Rules suspended, read second time, passed to engrossment, 743. Rules suspended, 802. Read third time and passed, 803. Passage by House with amendment reported, 1885. House amendment laid before Senate, read and concurred in, 1945. Signed, 1970. Filed with Secretary of State, 2015.

46. By Mengden: Amending Constitution to delete the requirement that state funds for assistance grants and medical care for needy individuals and families be matched with federal funds, 376.

Referred, 376.

47. By Schwartz: Amending Constitution to include Texas Maritime Academy and Moody College of Marine Sciences and Maritime Resources as an eligible part of the Texas A&M University System, 386.

Referred, 386. Reported, 1222. Motion to suspend regular order, 1517.

48. By McKnight: Amending Constitution relating to the State Building Commission and the State Building Fund, and providing for disposition of that fund, 413.

(House Sponsor: Wyatt) (Companion Document: **H.J.R. 80**)

Referred, 413. Reported, **C.S.S.J.R. 48** read first time, 664. Rules suspended, read second time, passed to engrossment, 787. Read third time and passed, 788. Passage by House with amendments reported, 1739. House amendments laid before Senate, read, concurred in, 1772. Signed, 1819. Sent to Governor, 1901. Filed with Secretary of State, 2015.

49. By Harris: Amending Constitution to vest power in the Legislature to authorize state and national banks, subject to certain restrictions, to exercise banking and discounting privileges by use of electronic devices or machines, 479.

(House Sponsor: Kaster)

Referred, 479. Reported, **C.S.S.J.R. 49** read first time, 758. Rules suspended, read second time, passed to engrossment, 938. Read third time and passed, 939. Passage by House with amendment reported, 1885. House amendment laid before Senate, read and concurred in, 2001. Signed, 2110. Filed with Secretary of State, 2123.

50. By Brooks: Amending Constitution to delete the archaic reference to the "Deaf and Dumb Asylum," to allow certain products manufactured by handicapped individuals in nonprofit rehabilitation facilities to be purchased by the State of Texas, 501.

(House Sponsor: Barrientos) (Companion Document: **H.J.R. 107**)

Referred, 501. Reported, 1014. Laid before Senate, read second time, passed to engrossment, read third time and passed, 1064. Submitted by Governor as an emergency, 2128. Passage by House reported, 2276. Signed, 2385. Filed with Secretary of State, 2391.

51. By Jones of Harris: Amending Constitution to change the name of the Courts of Civil Appeals to Courts of Appeals and to prescribe their jurisdiction, 501.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 55**)

Referred, 501.

52. By Jones of Taylor: Amending Constitution to lower the minimum population required for a city to adopt or amend a home rule charter to include cities having more than 1,500 inhabitants, 537.

(House Sponsor: Von Dohlen)

Referred, 537. Reported, 956. Motion to suspend regular order, 1120. Rules suspended, 1348. Read second time, amended, passed to engrossment, votes recorded, 1349. Read third time and passed, 1350.

53. By Hance: Amending Constitution to authorize the legislature to exempt from taxation solar or wind-powered energy devices, 537.

(House Sponsor: Vale) (Companion Document: **H.J.R. 63**)

Referred, 537. Reported, 1222. Rules suspended, read second time, passed to engrossment, votes recorded, 1508. Read third time and passed, 1509. Passage by House reported, 2003. Signed, 2110. Filed with Secretary of State, 2123.

54. By Clower: Amending Constitution authorizing the issuance of \$500 million in Texas Energy Efficiency Bonds for the purpose of making direct loans and loan guaranties for energy efficient devices, 537.

Referred, 537. Reported, 1155.

55. By Meier: Amending Constitution to provide that the Legislature may permit political subdivisions to develop employment opportunities, 537.

(House Sponsor: Craddick)

Referred, 537. Reported, 956. Rules suspended, 1214. Read second time, amended, passed to engrossment, 1215. Read third time and passed, 1216. Passage by House reported, 1297. Signed, 1331. Sent to Governor, 1356. Filed with Secretary of State, 2015.

56. By Lombardino: Amending Constitution relating to housing assistance for senior citizens, 537.

Referred, 537.

57. By Mengden: Amending Constitution relating to the division of counties into precincts for the election of justices of the peace, constables, and county commissioners, 622.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 33**)

Referred, 622.

58. By Moore: Amending Constitution to authorize the legislature to exempt tangible property of fraternal organizations from ad valorem taxation in certain circumstances, 689.

Referred, 689. Reported, 1296.

59. By Jones of Harris: Amending Constitution authorizing certain districts to engage in fire-fighting activities and to issue bonds or otherwise lend their credit for fire-fighting purposes, 1048.

(Companion Document: **H.J.R. 42**)

Referred, 1048. Reported, 1222.

60. By Brooks: Amending Constitution to allow Texas residents attending medical schools outside of Texas to receive student loans, 1253.

Referred, 1253. Senate rule suspended, 1931. Reported, 1974.